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FRIDAY MORNING

(1) Services were introduced by Elder Pharis Music and prayer offered by Elder J. H. Conley. Then came Elder Alex Stephens and preached the introductory sermon from 7th chapter of Acts, and 38th verse, "And this was he that were in the church in the wilderness."

(2) After which the delegates composing New Hope Association met in the schoolhouse nearby and a short exhortation by Elder Garfield Maynard and prayer offered by Elder Arthur Preece, then to business as follows: the presiding Moderator, Elder B. W. Craft, called the Association to order and the Rules of Decorum were read by Elder Alex Stephens, the Clerk. The Moderator advised a strict compliance to same.

(3) Appointed to see that order was kept while the Association was in session, to-wit: Jake Holbrook.

(4) Moved and second Brothers were appointed to see that the stand be occupied by ministers of our faith and order, to-wit: Bro. Richard Wills, Bro. Early Williams, Bro. Wash Holbrook.

(5) Letters and messengers called for from the sister churches composing New Hope Association, to-wit:

Sugar Loaf Church—Elder Lon Childers, Bro. Jim McSer'ey, Bro. Roy Childers were delegates.

Prestonsburg Church—Elder A. J. Stephens, Bro. Theodore Holbrook were delegates.

East Point Church—Elder J. D. Music, Bro. H. H. Shepherd, Bro. Aaron Music were delegates.

Chestnut Grove Church—Bro. Mander Manuel, Bro. Holbrook, Bro. Handy Holbrook, were delegates.

Little Union Church—Elder F. F. Smith, Bro. B. Bentley, Elder T. J. Smith were delegates.

Little Rock Church—Bro. T. R. Prater, Bro. Early

Williams, Bro. Harrison Puckett were delegates.

New Hope Church—Elder B. W. Craft, Elder Wm. Hall, Elder Alex Stephens were delegates.

Little Dove Church—Bro. Wm. Shepherd, Bro. Johnnie Hall, Bro. Elijah Porter were delegates.

Little Ela Church Elder Frank McGuire, Elder Ollie Walters, Bro. Wootia Taylor were delegates.

Moved and seconded to receive the named churches and seat delegates from the sister churches, except Sugar Loaf Church, and this question was referred to Saturday's work for Bill of Arrangements.

(6) Transient ministers seated in our advisory council to-wit: Elder J. H. Conley, Elder Pharis Music, Elder Arthur Preece, Elder Elzia Banks.

(7) Called for new churches.

By voice of the delegates Elder B. W. Craft was chosen Moderator and Elder Frank McGuire Assistant; Elder Alex Stephens, Clerk, for ensuing year.

(8) Called for corresponding letters from correspondent Associations of our faith and order and received as follows, to-wit:

Paint Union Association, by the hands of Elder J. T. Ferguson. Letter read and received and messenger seated by Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Iron Hill Association, by the hands of Elder Paul Turner. Letter read and received and messenger seated by Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Zion Association, by the hands of Elder L. W. Riffe. Letter read and received and messenger seated by Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Blaine Union Association, by the hand of J. Bailey. Letter read and received and messenger seated

by Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Mt. Zion Association, by the hands of Elder Arland Richie, Bro. Watson Kitchen. Letter read and received and messengers seated by the Moderator giving them the right hand of fellowship.

Bethlehem Association, by the hands of Elder Garfield Maynard. Letter read and received and messenger seated by Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Moved and second to send correspondent letters and messengers to the named Associations:

(9) The named brethren were appointed to write correspondent letters, to-wit:

To Paint Union—Elder T. J. Smith.

To Iron Hill—Elder F. F. Smith.

To Zion—Bro. T. R. Prater.

To Blaine Union—Bro. Earley Williams.

To Mt. Zion—Elder A. J. Stephens.

To Bethlehem—Elder Frank McGuire.

(10) Committee appointed on Bill of Arrangements for tomorrow, Saturday, Aug. 23, to-wit: Elder T. J. Smith, Elder F. F. Smith, Elder Frank McGuire, together with the moderator and clerk.

(11) Moved to adjourn till 9 a.m., tomorrow.

9 A. M., SAT. MORNING, AUG. 23

(1) Delegates and ministers met at the schoolhouse at Little Rock Church and singing Zion's songs, and Elder F. F. Smith gave a short exhortation and Elder T. J. Smith offered prayer.

(2) Roll call by the clerk and a quorum answered.

(3) Bill of Arrangements read and received and

committee discharged by move and second.

(4) As to the question of Sugar Loaf Church, whether they acted according to the orders of New Hope Association, and by vote of the delegates from the sister churches, a majority said by their vote that Sugar Loaf Church did according to the orders. But still rejected by Elder Wm. Hall.

(5) Correspondent letters called for, read and received and messengers appointed to bear them:

Paint Union Association—Elder Wm. Hall, Elder Frank McGuire, Elder B. W. Craft when convened with Little Blaine Church, Lawrence county, Ky., commencing on Friday before the 3rd Saturday in September, 1941 and the two following days.

Iron Hill Association—Elder T. J. Smith, Elder F. F. Smith, Bro. Ollie Walters, when convened with Bethlehem Church, Wayne county, W. Va., to commence on Friday before the 2nd Saturday in Sept. 1941 and the two following days.

Zion Association—Elder B. W. Craft, Elder Wm. Hall, Elder Lon Childers, when convened with Friendship Church, Johnson county Ky., commencing on Friday before the 2nd Saturday in Sept., 1941, and the two following days.

Blaine Union Association—Elder T. J. Smith, Bro. George Goodman, Bro. Wm. Shepherd when convened with Keeton Fork Church, Lawrence county, Ky., to commence on Friday before the 4th Saturday in Sept., 1941, and the two following days.

Mt. Zion Association—Bro. Milt Holbrook, Bro. Mander Manuel Bro. Handy Holbrook, when convened with Salt Lick Church, Magoffin county, Ky., commencing on Friday before the 1st Saturday in S

1941, and the two following days.

Bethlehem Association—Elder T. J. Smith, Bro. Ira Fields, Bro., Elijah Porter, when convened with Mud Fork Church, Logan county, W. Va., commencing on Friday before the 4th Sunday in Sept., 1941, and the two following days.

(6) Our next union meeting will be held with New Hope Church, Floyd county, Ky., to commence on Friday before the 1st Saturday in August, 1942, and the two following days, and Elder F. F. Smith, Elder Frank McGuire Elder T. J. Smith shall attend same.

(7) Our next conference meeting will be held with Little Ella Church, Montgomery county, Ky., on Friday before the 3rd Saturday in July, 1942, and the two following days, and Elder B. W. Craft, Elder Wm. Hall, Elder T. J. Smith shall attend same.

(8) Report of our last conference meeting held with Little Union Church, Garrett, Floyd county, Ky., July 4, 5, 6, 1941. Delegates composing the conference agree that Little Union Church shall have our next Association to convene on Friday before the 4th Saturday in August, 1942, and the two following days.

(9) By voice of New Hope Association Elder Frank McGuire will preach the introductory sermon at our next association and Elder B. W. Craft will be his alternate.

(10) Treasurer Elder Alex Stephens reports on hand
Left over from last year\$10.13
Received this year 31.60

Total \$41.73

1) Moved to have 500 copies of minutes printed
the clerk, Elder Alex Stephens, to superintend the

printing of same and distribute same to the several churches of New Hope Association.

(12) By voice of delegates, for preaching tomorrow, Sunday, Aug. 25, 1941, Elder J. H. Conley to introduce, Elder Elzia Banks to preach and Elder B. W. Craft to close.

(13) Tender of thanks to the Little Rock Church and the vicinity at large for the hospitality shown to the delegates from the sister churches, and the messengers from the correspondent associations. May the Lord bless and save you all in that upper and better kingdom.

(14) And by request of brethren, an exhortation was made by the Moderator, Elder B. W. Craft, and prayer was offered by Bro. Craft, then a song was sung and the Brethren passed the right hand of fellowship.

SUNDAY MORNING

(15) Sunday morning, Aug. 25, 1941, a large congregation met at the church to hear the brethren deliver their sermons. Elder J. H. Conley wonderfully introduced services; Elder Elzia Banks preached from 12th chapter of Hebrews and 28th verse, "Wherefore we received a kingdom which can not be moved. Let us have grace whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and Godly fear." Elder B. W. Craft closed the services. Well, I just wish it could have been so the world at large could have been there. This done and signed by order of New Hope Association.

ELDER B. W. CRAFT, Moderator

ELDER FRANK McGUIRE, Assistant

ELDER ALEX STEPHENS, Clerk

OBITUARIES

BARBIE ANN NELSON

Barbie Ann Nelson, daughter of John and Josephine Nelson, was born Oct. 18, 1934, deceased Aug. 24, 1941, age six years nine months and six days. She had just begun school and went last week four days. Her teacher and classmates were present at the last remains on earth and carried the flowers to the graveside and there with heartbroken Daddy and Mother mourned her loss here on earth. But little Barbie Ann moved from her earthly home here to a home of God to suffer no more, to meet the blood-washed army, to wait from mamma and papa and grandpa, Bro. Wm. Shepherd, and grandma, Sister Lelia Shepherd.

Written by heart-broken

MOTHER AND DADDY

(Attended by Elder Wm. Hall, Elder B. W. Craft, Elder Alex Stephens).

BRO. WILL MERRITT

By request of Sister Lillie Merritt I will try to write a short obituary of Bro. Will Merritt who departed this life Nov. 8, 1939, who was a member of the United Baptist Church. He lived in the church for several years. He was a close walking man. He attended his home church and filled his seat almost every month up till about eight years ago when he moved to the state of Ohio. There he lived the rest of his days. His mind wandered back to the brothers and sisters in the Lord and he would visit us once a year and fill his seat in the old churchhouse up till his sickness, then his request was for the brothers to come down and hold meeting for him. Len Childers and I went and held

a meeting for him a few days before he died and met with a large crowd and broken-hearted wife and children. So his request was, take my body back to Kentucky and place it in the old family graveyard by the side of mother. He left a widow and four children and a host of relatives and friends to weep after him. We planted his body beneath the sod in living hope that he will rise again when the trump of God shall sound, when all of the dead in Christ will rise and meet the Lord in the air. Written by

BRO. JOHNNIE HURD

A. G. HOLBROOK

With a sad heart we try to write a short sketch of our dear father and husband, A. G. Holbrook; born March 10, 1877, deceased Sept. 25, 1940, age 63 years, six months and 11 days. He was married to Kate Miller and to this union were born four boys. One died in infancy, three living: Bro. Wash, of McGuffey, O.; Johnnie Holbrook, Cliff, Ky., Stevea Holbrook, Myrtle, Ky. Bro. A. G. Holbrook joined the United Baptist Church 25 years before death and lived faithful to his church and served as deacon in the Little Rock Church for 24 years. He was always found willing and ready to serve the church at home and the sister churches of his faith. He was a good husband and father and a friend to all. His neighbors miss him as well as his brothers and sisters. But we are sure his seat will never be filled in his home church, but written in faith that father's sufferings are over, and he today is clothed in that white robe. Written by

SONS AND MOTHER

SAMUEL COBURN

With a sad heart I try to write a sketch of the short life of my dear son, Samuel Coburn, born March 14, 1921, deceased June 22, 1941, age 20 years, two months and seven days. Professed a hope in Jesus Christ and was baptized by the hands of Elder A. J. Stephens and only lived three weeks after being baptized into the United Baptist faith, and on Saturday night of his passing he clasped his little feeble hands and told others that were there in his last hours on earth that he was so happy he found the good Lord and was baptized and that there was nothing in his way, he had a sweet home to go to where he would suffer no more with this awful pain. "Papa, you all meet me in heaven where I'll not be afflicted; my brothers and sisters I'll see in the sweet bye and bye." Written by broken-hearted father,

GARLAND COBURN

MOTHER ROSA McSURLEY

With sadness of heart I try to write a sketch about the life of mother who lived a strict Christian life for about 25 years in the fellowship of the Sugar Loaf Church of United Baptists, and died on Aug. 12, 1941, aged 76, and we feel that our loss is heaven's gain. Mother's hopes were bright. She said before she died, "Children, I have a light that shines far brighter than any we have in this world." And we feel that mother is gone to that place where Jesus said I go and prepare for you. And when we see mother again it will be when Jesus said that they that sleep will God bring with Him when he comes again. And with these closing remarks I want to say I'd like to be standing by mother's tomb when Jesus comes in His power. Written by a son,

JIM McSURLEY

WASH MILLER

It is with much sadness we try to write a history of the life of our dear father, Wash Miller, who deceased this life Sept 22, 1940. He was born Oct. 8, 1872 near Prestonsburg, Ky. He was the son of Abraham Miller and Catherine Hale Miller. He was married to Jane Risner, the daughter of J. E. Risner and Susan Howard Risner, and to this union were born 10 children, five boys and five girls, one son, Albert, deceased at 12 years of age; the other nine and 46 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren are left to mourn his loss. With our dear mother he joined the United Baptist Church Sept. 22, 1923 and lived a faithful member till the death angel came and called him home. On Sunday morning before he was called away he called for his children to come. They all met with sad, broken hearts. Father said, "Children, I am not afraid to die. I hate to leave you. I hate to leave all my friends and my good brothers and sisters," and then looked over at poor, weeping mother and said, "Jane, I hate to leave you the worst of all." So we took him to the hospital for relief and could get none. He paid the debt we all have to pay. Oh, how sad it was to behold and look upon our heartbroken mother and children and friends when they moved the body from the hospital to the old home with poor mother and children weeping around the casket. Next morning they moved from the old home that he seemed to love so well, carrying him to the graveyard to be buried in the cold earth, and to hear the pitiful groans and cries of our dear mother and children and heart-broken friends. Great crowds of people, friends and relatives followed to the top of the little mound to the cemetery where they found a

newly made grave ready to receive the body of our dear father, where, amid many tears shed, they laid his dear body down in the ground to await the coming of our dear Saviour. Then the grave will hold it no longer. So I want to say to poor mother and broken-hearted brothers and sisters, let's cheer up and proye faithful a few days longer; fight the good fight of faith. I want to say to those five of the family that haven't confessed a hope in Christ, if you want to live with dear father you must repent this side of the tomb. I want to say in my conclusion of my sad remarks, may the Lord help us to bear our troubles and help us to pray for our children that are going down the downward road.

Written by his bereaved children,

SUSIE SHEPHERD
BILL SHEPHERD

ROMBA CHILDERS

Born Oct.. 11, 1864, age 77, passed away to gain her home in heaven on Dec. 28, 1940. To this union were born six boys and one girl. All departed from this life but three boys. She joined the United Baptist Church about 46 years ago and lived a faithful member until death, and was loved by all her neighbors and all her Christian brothers and sisters. Now a seat is vacant in the home, but a seat is filed in heaven.

REV. LON CHILDE

SISTER IDA CHILDERS

It is with a sad heart I try to write a few lines in memory of Ida Childers,, the wife of Lon Childers, daughter of Tucker and Rosa McSuriey, who departed this life April 6, 1941, near the age of 52 years. She

joined the United Baptists about 1916. I had her in three different hospitals and all was done that doctors could do, but God called her away. My loss is heaven's gain. Her seat is missing here but filled in heaven.

By her husband,

LON CHILDERS

ELDER JOHN JOSEPH

Elder John Joseph, deceased, came in fellowship with the United Baptist Church July 23, 1882, at Middle Creek, then came in an army to organize the Chestnut Grove Church, Magoffin county, 6th day of Sept., 1884, and was dismissed from the army on Aug. 17, 1888 by letter and then came back by letter September 13, 1889 but later, when the Holiness sprang up on Middle Creek Brother Joseph went off to them, but very soon saw his mistake and, o'd and feeble as he was, he walked on his cane to Chestnut Grove Church and made an acknowledgement to the brothers and sisters of his mistake that he had made on taking fellowship with Holy Rollers and they forgave him and gave him back fellowship, and how good the old brother seemed to feel to get back home. Written from the records of Chestnut Grove Church.

KATTIE WRIGHT

Born in 1833, but now deceased, was united in marriage to A. J. Wright in 1904, and to this union were born five children. They a'll died before mother. She was the daughter of Wes Campbell and Melvina Campbell. She joined the United Baptist Church at Sugar Loaf Church and always filled her seat at the church as long as she was able. While in bed we saw her clasp those weak hands and praise her Lord. She was missed.

by all who knew her. Our loss is heaven's gain. Written by her husband,

A. J. WRIGHT

GREEN HOLBROOK

Green Holbrook was born Aug. 28, 1855, deceased Jan. 19, 1941. Joined the United Baptist Church Jan. 17, 1891 at Chestnut Grove, Magoffin county, Ky., and was a devoted Christian for 50 years and two days. He was clerk of the church May 16, 1891 and was ordained a deacon Aug. 20, 1898 and held the office till death. We have heard him shout the praises of God so many times and on his bed of affliction when his brothers and sisters would come to see him, he would talk of the Great beyond until he would have to rest. He was greatly missed in the church, but our loss is heaven's gain. He leaves a host of brothers and sisters in the church to miss his absence; leaves dear wife and children to mourn his absence as a father, but we are satisfied about the happiness of father when we read the old family Bible that father read so much. He is just asleep waiting for Jesus to wake the sleeping dead. Written by mother, son and daughter.

VINA SHEPHERD

Vina Shepherd was born Aug. 15, 1888. Departed this life March 21, 1940, being 51 years, five months and six days of age, and was raised up without a mother and was obedient to her father. She joined the United Baptist Church and was baptized by Jim Owens in her young days and was a faithful member until her death. At the age of [redacted] she was married to John Shepherd and to this couple were born 11 children, five boys and six girls. Two boys died in infancy, which leaves nine children living, three boys and six girls, to mourn the loss of a dear, loving mother. They

are: Willie Shepherd, Andy Shepherd, and Henry Shepherd, Mary Shepherd, Dony Halbert, Alice Ousley, Miss Ida Shepherd, Laura Shepherd, Lillie Shepherd, and her husband, John Shepherd, to mourn the loss of a dear, loving wife, who was so kind and good to her husband and children and neighbors and was liked by all. She told her husband a few days before she died that she was going home to live with Jesus, that she would not need anything else and she met death with a smile. Written by JOHN SHEPHERD

MOLLIE LAYNE

It is with a sad heart and troubled mind that I try to write a short obituary of the life of my dear wife, one who was so dear to my heart. The 24th day of April, 1941, the death angel came and took her from me and left me here in this lonesome world. She was 60 years, three months and 18 days old when she had to go and leave me. How I miss her no tongue can tell. She left three children here to mourn her loss and sweet company. She had been a member of the United Baptist Church for 23 years and had lived a faithful Christian life until Jesus called her home. I tried my best to do my duty by her. I waited on her most of the time and did love to do for her so much. Now she has gone over yonder to live with Jesus and the angels and I find moments in my sad hours that I can rejoice that I lived a Christian with her 23 years. A lot of times we have been made to rejoice alone by that loving spirit of Jesus and have often said to each other when our Lord called one of us we wouldn't be parted for long. Now she has gone on before to dwell with Jesus and her dear father and mother who left her several years ago, and the rest of

Statistical Report of New Hope As

NAMES OF CHURCHES	DELEGATES
Sugar Loaf	Elder Lon Childers, Bro. Jim McSerley, Bro. Roy Childers
Prestonsburg	Elder A. J. Stephens, Bro. Theodore Hol Elder J. D. Music, Bro. H. H. Shepherd Bro. Ervin Music
East Point	Bro. Milt Holbrook, Bro. Handy Holbrook
Chestnut Grove ..	Bro. Mander Manuel
Little Union	Elder F. F. Smith, Elder T. J. Smith, Bro. B. W. Bentley
Little Rock	Bro. Early Williams, Bra. T. R. Prater, Bro. Harrison Puckett
New Hope	Elder B. W. Craft, Elder Wm. Hall, Elder Alex Stephens
Little Dove	Bro. Johnnie Hall, Bro. Wm. Shepherd, Bro. Elige Porter
Little Ella	Elder Frank McGuire, Elder Ollie Walter, Bro. Woodford Tabor

Association of United Baptist, 1941

	Baptized By Letter	Recommendation By Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Died	Total	Meeting Time	Feet Washing Time at Each Church
.....		3	2		4	82	3rd Sat.	3rd Sun. Aug.
brook...	12	1	1	2	1	110	4th Sat.	4th Sun. July
.....	1					39	2nd Sat.	2nd Sun. Aug.
.....		1			5	125	4th Sat.	4th Sun. June
.....				3		28	1st Sat.	1st Sun. June
.....				1	2	68	2nd Sat.	2nd Sun. Jul
.....			2	1	1	51	1st Sat.	1st Sun. Aug.
.....				3		33	2nd Sat.	2nd Sun. June
S,	2	3	2			22	3rd Sat.	3rd Sun. July
	15	4	4	3	4	10	13	558

the angels, and a glorious thought is, she died with that hope of eternal life. I am going to meet her when my Lord calls me, where we'll never part any more. I have a bright hope that I will meet my companion again and see her clasp her sweet hands as she did on her dying bed. She can behold all the beauties of heavens and will see me when I come to the glory land where she is. Her burial service was conducted by Bro. Andy Wright and Bro. Mose Maynard. What a sad time then and on and on with me. I long to see that bright day when God shall awake the dead—when I can meet my dear wife with a crown upon her head and never part again. My dear wife and myself have our membership in the Sugar Loaf Church. Written by her broken-hearted husband, TOM LAYNE

HENRY WILLS

With a sad heart we try to write a sketch of the life of Henry Wills, brother in the Lord. Brother Henry was brought up under Methodism but when the Lord borned him of His spirit he joined the Baptist Church at New Hope and was a faithful member. He was clerk of the Church and was always faithful. He attended the Saturday meetings and always had his church record book. He was sick a long time and before death came to his relief and many the time we have heard him say all he hated to leave was his wife and children and brothers and sisters. Her favorite song was Take me to some lonesome graveyard, for I have been suffering so long, where every day will be Sunday bye and bye.

Written by Elder B. W. Craft, brother-in-law, and R. H. Craft, his sister.

DOUGLAS BUG PIGMAN WILLS

With a sad heart we write a sketch of our sister-in-law, Sister Douglas Bug Pigman Wills, wife of deceased Henry Wills. Sister Bug had her fellowship with the United Baptists in New Hope Church and lived faithful until death. She had a hard time in this life. After her husband died, for 10 or 12 years she was like the lonesome dove, she went alone and sighed and mourned for her mate. To this union were born nine children, five boys, Hiram, Charley, Jack preceded them in death; Dee, Ed; three girls, Hazel, Myrtle and Daisy are the only ones that are in the faith that father and mother were. We long to see the boys and girls come to the faith. Mother's favorite song was "The Great Speckled Bird." Job said there was a way that the vulture's eye has not seen, the lion's whelps are not there, it's so plain a wayfaring man or a fool may not err therein, though it be for the redeemed. Written by

ELDER B. W. CRAFT
R. H. CRAFT

PREAMBLE AND CONSTITUTION

From a long series of experiences we, the churches of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon our profession of faith in Jesus Christ, are convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches, in order to perpetuate a union and communion among us, and preserve, maintain and keep the rules and orders of an association, according to the following plan or form of government:

Art. 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches, and duly sent to

represent in the Association who shall be members whom they think best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their full fellowship, their baptized, restored received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and dead, since the last Association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on the internal rights of any church in the union.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a proper decorum.

Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of members present.

Art. 6. New churches shall be admitted into our union, who shall petition by letter and delegate, and if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any church to the Association, being first debated in their own church, shall be taken up by the Association.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall be taken up by the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association.

Art. 11. The churches shall send money by the delegates of each church to pay for printing the minutes of the Association.

Art. 12. There shall be a record book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be regularly recorded by a secretary appointed for that purpose.

Art. 13. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk, before the Association rises.

Art. 14. Amendments to this form or plan of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union when they deem it necessary.

Art. 15. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by the will of the majority, except receiving new churches and corresponding with other Associations, which shall be done by an unanimous vote.

Art. 16. The Association shall have power: 1. To provide for the general union of the churches; 2. To preserve inviolably a chain of communication among the churches; 3. To give the churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4. To inquire into the cause why the churches fail at any time to represent themselves at the Association; 5. To appoint any member or members by and with their consent to transact any business which they may think necessary; 6. To withdraw from any church in the union who shall violate the rules of the Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion; 7. To admit any orderly minister of our order to a seat with us in the Association; 8. To adjourn to any future time and place most convenient to the church or union; 9. No minister shall be ordained unless forwarded by a church, and it shall require two or more Ordained Ministers to compose a presbytery for that purpose.

RULES OF DECORUM

Art. 1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Art. 2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one member shall speak at the same time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech, except by the Moderator, till he is done speaking, and shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who has spoken before him or make any remarks on his slips and failures and imperfections, but shall verily state the cause and matter as nearly as he can, so as to convey his light and idea.

Art. 5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on the same subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No member of the Association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of same, nor whisper in time of public speech.

Art. 8. No member of the Association shall address another by any title or appellation other than that of brother.

Art. 9. The Moderator shall not interrupt a member till he gives his idea upon the subject, except he breaks the rules of decorum.

Art. 10. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the clerk and called over as

often as the Association requires.

Art. 11. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, but shall have no voice unless the Association be evenly divided.

Art. 12. Any member who shall wilfully and knowingly break any of the rules shall be reprov'd by the Association as it may think proper.

Art. 13. But three members shall take a seat in the Association from each church.

Art. 14. The rules of decorum shall be read by the clerk at the commencement of every association.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

We, the churches of Jesus Christ of United Baptists, are constituted on the following faith, viz.:

Art. 1. We believe in only one true and living God, the Creator of the heaven and earth and all things therein contained.

Art. 2. We believe in Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, who is Head and King of His church.

Art. 3. We believe in the Holy Ghost, the Sealer and Applier of the redemption purchased by Christ.

Art. 4. We believe in the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

Art. 5. We believe in the scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the infallible word of God, take it for our only rule of faith and practice, and nothing is to be added or taken from it.

Art. 6. We believe in the free atonement of Jesus Christ and that He tasted death for every man and woman upon the terms of the gospel.

Art. 7. We believe that repentance and faith in the

Lord Jesus Christ are necessary previous to baptism and that immersion is the only right way to administer the ordinance.

Art. 8. We believe that Christ has but one true gospel church and that it will finally persevere through grace to glory.

Art. 9. We believe in the communion of the Lord's Supper, that is, the taking of the bread and wine by the church of Jesus Christ in commemoration of the death and suffering of the Son of God until His second coming.

Art. 10. We believe that feet washing is an ordinance of Jesus Christ and ought to be observed and kept up by His church until His second coming.

Art. 11. We believe in the sum of the moral law as it stands on record in the Book of Exodus.

Art. 12. We believe that Jesus Christ is the first resurrection from the dead and that He lives forever.

Art. 13. We believe in the resurrection of the just and unjust.

Art. 14. We believe in the final punishment of the wicked and the eternal happiness of the righteous.

NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS AND POSTOFFICE ADDRESSES

Elder B. W. Craft.....	Water Gap, Ky.
Elder Wm. Hall.....	Water Gap, Ky.
Elder T. J. Smith.....	Garrett, Ky.
Elder R. D. Holbrook.....	Myrtle, Ky.
Elder Alex Stephens.....	West Prestonsburg, Ky.
Elder A. B. Dixon.....	Water Gap, Ky.
Elder Andy Stephens.....	Water Gap, Ky.
Elder Lon Childers.....	Emma, Ky.
Elder Frank McGuire.....	Jeffersonville, Ky.
Elder Harris Hackworth.....	Bonanza, Ky.
Elder F. F. Smith.....	Jeffersonville, Ky.
Elder John D. Music.....	East Point, Ky.
Elder Paris Music.....	Auxier, Ky.
Elder W. K. Bayes.....	Emma, Ky.
Elder S. J. Johnson.....	Auxier, Ky.
Elder Ollie Walters.....	Jeffersonville, Ky.
Elder Ernest Ward.....	Garrett, Ky.